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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. - 18. (Cancelled)

19. - 30. (Cancelled)

31. - 40. (Cancelled)

41. - 44. (Cancelled)

45. (New) A method for dynamically adjusting the screen brightness of a screen display operatively associated with a medical pump, comprising the steps of:

providing a screen display operatively associated with a medical pump, the screen display having variable screen brightness;

supplying a plurality of screen brightness level settings for the medical pump;

determining a current time of day;

automatically selecting one of the plurality of screen brightness level settings to use as an active screen brightness level setting for the medical pump when the current time of day is daytime;

automatically selecting another of the plurality of screen brightness level settings to use as the active screen brightness level setting for the medical pump when the current time of day is nighttime; and

operating the screen display of the medical pump using the active screen brightness level setting selected for the current time of day.

46. (New) The method of claim 45, wherein at least one of the screen brightness level settings is supplied to the medical pump as part of instructions from a medication management unit in communication with the medical pump.

47. (New) The method of claim 46, wherein a medical care facility can customize based on its preference the at least one of the screen brightness level settings supplied to the medical pump by the medication management unit.

48. (New) The method of claim 45, wherein the current time of day is determined by the medical pump.

49. (New) The method of claim 45, wherein the steps of automatically selecting are performed by the medical pump.

50. (New) The method of claim 45, wherein the screen brightness level setting selected when the time of day is nighttime is lower than the screen brightness level setting selected when the time of day is daytime.